the unanimous opinion of the non-official members of this House in regard to this matter and it will receive consideration at the hands of the Government. It will save the time of the House if the other cut-motions are not discussed.

CUT MOTION No. 2

Appointment of the Members of the Council in Government service

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* I move to *raduce the allotment of Rs. 6,000 for salary, Minister for Rural Development by Re. 1.* The object of my motion is *to bring to the notice of the Government the undesirability of the policy of giving appointments to members of the Legislative Council and hence making them liable to punishment by an officer of the Reserved Half.* It is not my object to reduce the salary of the Minister by Re. 1, nor is it my intention to cast any aspersions upon the work of the Minister. With that clear understanding I may state before the House that my object is only to concentrate the attention of the House and the public to this one question on which there is unanimity of opinion so far as the non-official side is concerned. Hon'ble Members of this House have been appointed by the Minister, I am aware, as State Organiser with certain Honararia for doing National War Front work. At the very outset I may say that I do not propose to say anything about the work of the National War Front, nor is it necessary to do so now.

Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* On a point of order I beg to submit that the motion is not in order because the Minister has not made any appointments of the Legislative Council Members making them liable to punishment by an Officer of the Reserved Half.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* My position is this. The question does not arise as to whether the Minister has made the appointment. This is a token motion. Secondly I raise another point of order. The Chair has allowed me to speak and the matter is concluded. This refers to the drafting of members of the legislature for Government work under the Reserved Half.

Mr. President: The motion is out of order. It cannot be discussed.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* It is only to discuss the policy of giving appointments to members of the Legislative Council. It is Government's poljcy that is being discussed, whether it is Reserved Half or Transferred Half.

Mr. President: The mistake is that the cut is in the Minister's salary.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* That is on the merits. That is for throwing the Minister for explanation.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* There is nothing but the policyof the Government in giving appointments to the Members of the Legislative Council.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* If the National War Front is a subject that the Hon'ble Member has referred to, it is non-votable too.

Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Certainly not. I have not a word to say against the National War Front. But only taking the members of the Legislature.

Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* Why should it come under the Minister's salary ?

Mr. President: I have given my ruling on that.

Motion ruled out of order

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Now that a Director has been appointed by the Government, I do not move cut motion No. 6 of the printed list.

Mr. President: Cut motion No. 7 of the printed list is not under the proper head and hence disallowed.

CUT MOTION No. 3

Educational concessions to depressed class converts

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* I beg to move to *raduce the allotment of Rs. 6,000 for Huzur Secretariat, Minister's Salary by rupee 1.*—The object of the cut motion is *to point out once again that the Hon'ble Minister has not rescinded the order witholding educational concessions to depressed class converts.*

Mr. Joseph Petta *(Adur):* On a point of order, there is cut motion No. 41 in the name of Mr. C. V. Iyyu, and for various consideration we would like them to be taken together and to give preference to that motion, because of the technical difficulties in the matter of this motion.

Mr. President: I think that motion No. 41 of the printed list should be the leading motion. Mr. Iyyu can move his motion and then the Hon'ble member can second it.

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